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For: METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING A SUBJECT  
AT RISK OF DEVELOPING HEART  
FAILURE BY DETERMINING THE LEVEL  
OF GALECTIN-3 OR THROMBOSPONDIN-2

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION**

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.